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1. The airfield, about 1,000-meter square, was about 500 meters northeast of Ufa-Chernikovsk (56°09'E/54°48'N), Bashkir ASSR, north of the railroad line to Asha (57°16'E/55°00'N). There was no runway. A two-story stone building was on the south edge of the field.
2. There was flying with about five biplanes. Three or four Ju-52s landed at the field daily and took off after being unloaded or loaded.
3. There was no flying at the airfield northwest of Ufa (56°00'E/54°44'N), between the Belaya and the Ufa Rivers.
4. Another airfield was about 4 km northeast of the Chernikovsk railroad station, about 1 km west of the Ufa River. There was flying with Ju-52s and twin-engine aircraft of US make.
5. The airfield, about 2 km long, was about 1 km northeast of the Ufa railroad station and east of the railroad line. It had no hangars but was heavily occupied by aircraft.

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6. The airfield was north of Chernikovsk, north of the railroad line to Asha and northwest of a road leading northwest from Ufa via Chernikovsk. It was about 1 x 2 km, had a grass cover and partially bordered on woods. There were no firm runways, taxiways or buildings.
7. A Ju-52, three biplanes, and six twin-engine aircraft were parked at the field. More aircraft were parked on the edge of the woods.
8. Twin-engine commercial planes and twin-engine aircraft with double rudder assembly, radial engine and full-view cockpit were daily seen aloft.
9. Young Soviet Air Force officers were seen at the field daily.

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Comment:

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a. The two airfields near Ufa and Chernikovsk are known from aerial photographs. From this report on the fields the definite occupation strength cannot be inferred. According to [REDACTED] (para 3) no aircraft were parked at the Ufa airfield but [REDACTED] (para 5) stated that the field was heavily occupied.

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b. The data on the Chernikovsk airfield are in more accord. The information that the field was generally occupied by Ju-52s and IL-2s indicates that it is a commercial or a transport airfield.

c. From the information that twin-engine aircraft with double rudder assembly were seen in the air it might be assumed that a bomber unit is stationed at one of the two airfields.

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